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## Albuquerque Man Indicted on Eight Counts of Tax Evasion

Albuquerque – On April 21, 2008, the Grand Jury for the Second Judicial District Court in Bernalillo County indicted Daniel M. Salazar, of Albuquerque, on eight counts of felony tax evasion.

Mr. Salazar was charged with willfully attempting to evade or defeat his New Mexico Gross Receipts Tax, or the payment thereof, for eight quarterly tax periods during the years 2005 and 2006, in violation of Section 7-1-72 NMSA 1978.

If convicted, Mr. Salazar could face the possibility of imprisonment of one year and a fine of \$1,000 on each count. Rick Homans, Secretary of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department, stressed that all New Mexicans, both business owners and individual taxpayers, should be aware that they can be prosecuted if they willfully evade their New Mexico tax obligations. "All New Mexicans have an obligation to pay their taxes each year. This ensures that our communities receive their fair share for roads, education and public safety."

The case was a result of an investigation by the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department's Tax Fraud Investigations Division, and is being prosecuted by New Mexico Attorney General Gary King's Office.

To report suspected tax fraud against the State of New Mexico, call the Tax Fraud Hotline at 1-866-457-6789.